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SUBJECT:SECRETARY'S TRIP -- PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

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1. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN, AT PRESS BRIEFING FRIDAY, ANNOUNCED SECRETARY'S VISIT TO AFRICA (PER REFTEL).
2. SPOKESMAN ALSO GAVE FOLLOWING DATES: "APRIL 24 AND 25 IN KENYA; 25-26 TANZANIA; 26-27 ZAMBIA; 27 THROUGH 29 ZAIRE; 29-30 GHANA; APRIL 30 TO MAY 1 LIBERIA; MAY 1 TO 2 SENEGAL; AND MAY 2 TO 6 KENYA; LEAVING KENYA ON MAY 6 EN ROUTE HOME."
3. ASKED IF SECRETARY WILL STOPOVER IN EUROPE EN ROUTE HOME, SPOKESMAN REPLIED "I DO NOT HAVE ANY INFORMATION THAT SAYS HE WILL STOP IN EUROPE. I WILL JUST HAVE TO GET BACK TO YOU LATER IF THAT POSSIBILITY DEVELOPS."
4. ASKED IF A "CAIRO STOPOVER" IS PLANNED, SPOKESMAN SAID "I AM NOT INFORMED THAT THERE IS A CAIRO STOPOVER ON HIS RETURN."
5. ASKED IF SECRETARY HAD FINALIZED PLANS TO MEET WITH AFRICAN LIBERATION LEADERS, SPOKESMAN REPLIED: "I THINK UNCLASSIFIED

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WE SAID YESTERDAY THAT WAS A POSSIBILITY, BUT I DO NOT HAVE ANYTHING FURTHER TO TELL YOU ABOUT HOW THAT IS DEVELOPING TODAY."

6. ASKED "PARTICULAR REASON" WHY ETHIOPIA OMITTED FROM

ITINERARY, SPOKESMAN SAID: "THE REASON FOR THAT IS THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH NUMBER OF COUNTRIES, INCLUDING ETHIOPIA, POSSIBILITY OF VISITING THEM ON THIS CURRENT TRIP, AND IT WAS NOT CONVENIENT TO INCLUDE ETHIOPIA AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME. SECRETARY OBVIOUSLY HOPES A VISIT CAN BE ARRANGED FOR ANOTHER TIME."

7. ASKED IF THIS INCLUDES MOZAMBIQUE, SPOKESMAN SAID "WE DISCUSSED NUMBER OF POSSIBILITIES. AMONG THEM POSSIBLY WAS MOZAMBIQUE. I JUST DO NOT KNOW."

8. IVORY COAST? SPOKESMAN RESPONDED "IVORY COAST WAS ONE OF THE CONSIDERATIONS, AND THE REASON IS THE SAME."

9. WILL SECRETARY STAY IN CAPITALS OR GO TO COUNTRY? WILL HE JUST STAY IN NAIROBI? SPOKESMAN SAID "I DO NOT HAVE THOSE DETAILS. I THINK WE WILL HAVE THEM AS WE GO ALONG, BUT I DO NOT HAVE THEM TODAY. WE WILL KEEP YOU AS CLOSELY INFORMED AS WE CAN ABOUT IT."

10. SPOKESMAN ALSO INFORMED PRESS THAT MRS. KISSINGER WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ACCOMPANYING SECRETARY. HE SAID HE HAD NO INFORMATION ON THE CAPITALS DEPUTY SECRETARY ROBINSON WILL VISIT WITH SECRETARY.

11. SPOKESMAN SAID HE WOULD HAVE DETAILS ON SECRETARY'S OFFICIAL PARTY NEXT WEEK, BUT INDICATED BELIEF THAT ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFEELE WOULD ACCOMPANY HIM.

12. MEANWHILE, SECRETARY KISSINGER, ADDRESSING DOWNTOWN ROTARY CLUB OF PHOENIX, SAID FRIDAY: "WE HAVE RESOURCES, TECHNOLOGY, SKILL AND ORGANIZING GENIUS TO BUILD WORLD ECONOMIC SYSTEM TOGETHER WITH ALL NATIONS, DEVELOPING AND DEVELOPED ALIKE. AND THIS WILL FULFILL ASPIRATIONS OF ALL PEOPLES FOR DIGNITY AND WELL BEING. IT IS IN THIS SPIRIT TH UIURT WEEK I SHALL GO TO AFRICA WHERE I WILL CARRY AMERICA'S MESSAGE OF HOPE, SOCIAL JUSTICE, ASPIRATION FOR HUMAN DIGNITY, RULE OF THE MAJORITY, AND COOPERATION. AND I SHALL ALSO WARN AGAINST FOREIGN INTERVENTION, DIRECT OR SURROGATE, THAT WOULD BLOCK ALL HOPE FOR PROGRESS."

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